Request for Expedited Procedure Under 37 CFR § 1.116

Group Art Unit: 2881

Docket No.: H6808.0040/P040

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Yoshihiro Kimura et al.

Application No.: 10/779,749

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For: Method of determining the concavity and

convexity on sample surface, and charged

particle beam apparatus

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Action

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows: